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Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Announces Guest Speaker and Mistress of Ceremonies for Women of Excellence Awards Gala

Baton Rouge, Louisiana –The Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation is honored to announce Dr. Sally Clausen, Commissioner of Higher Education with the Louisiana Board of Regents, as the guest speaker for the 2009 Women of Excellence Awards Gala. In addition, Diane Deaton, Weathercaster with WAFB Nine News, will serve as the mistress of ceremonies. The event will be held Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Baton Rouge Marriott.

The recipients of the 2009 Women of Excellence Awards are:

Arts & Culture:

- Priscilla Lawrence - The Historic New Orleans Collection - New Orleans

Banking & Finance:

- Helen Godfrey Smith - Shreveport Federal Credit Union - Shreveport

Education & Research:

- Julia Chan, Ph.D. - Louisiana State University Department of Chemistry - Baton Rouge

Faith Based Initiatives:

- Deborah A. Roe (Retired) - Catholic Charities Diocese of Baton Rouge - Baton Rouge

Health and Medicine:

- Wendy H. Roy - Cenla Medication Access Program - Alexandria

Volunteerism & Civic Involvement:

- Carol McMichael Reese, Ph.D. - Tulane University, School of Architecture - New Orleans

Young Woman of Excellence (age 16 to 23):

- Sarah Miller - Junior, Louisiana State University Honors College - Lafayette

Contact the Women's Caucus Office at 225.342.0334 for ticket information.

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